



Road Vehicle Standards

RVS legislation fees, charges and payments

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The Australian Government recovers the costs of activities related to the administration of the Road Vehicle Standards (RVS) legislation from industry participants, consistent with the Australian Government Charging Framework.

The [Cost Recovery Implementation Statement](#) (CRIS) provides information on how the department undertakes cost recovery arrangements for administrative and regulatory activities under the RVS legislation.

The following tables list the fees and charges applicable under the RVS legislation.

Application fees

These fees reflect the effort required to assess the relevant application type.

Table 1: Application fees for new approvals

Application type	Fee
Vehicle type approval pathway	
International whole vehicle type approval (IWVTA)	\$650
Non-IWVTA for a passenger vehicle	\$950
Non-IWVTA for 2 or 3-wheeled vehicle	\$440
Non-IWVTA for a goods vehicle	\$330
Non-IWVTA for a bus	\$330
Non-IWVTA for a high-ATM (greater than 4.5 tonnes) trailer with a Model Report	\$25
Non-IWVTA for a high-ATM trailer without a Model Report	\$370
Non-IWVTA based vehicle type approval for a low-ATM trailer	\$50
Concessional RAV entry approval pathway	
Older vehicle	\$35
Vehicle to be modified by the holder of a RAW approval	\$95
Special purpose vehicle	\$450
Vehicle that is part of a person's personal effects	\$50

Application type	Fee
Trailers	
– high-ATM trailer	\$45
– low-ATM trailer	\$30
RVS tools	
Registered automotive workshop (RAW) approval	\$110
Approval of a Model Report that applies to a model, or one or more variants of, a:	
– specialist and enthusiast vehicle	\$900
– used 2 or 3-wheeled vehicle	\$575
– high-ATM trailer	\$500
– vehicle on the RAV and subject to a second stage of manufacture (SSM)	\$480
Authorised vehicle verifier (AVV) approval	\$380
Testing facility approval	\$370
Entry on the Specialist and Enthusiast Vehicles (SEVs) Register	\$230
Import approvals	
Non-RAV entry import approval	\$60
Reimportation import approval	\$40
Transitional import approval	\$50
Others	
Component type approval	\$35
Advisory notice that a thing is not a road vehicle	\$55

Cost recovery charges

These charges cover the cost of activities that cannot be directly related to an application assessment. This includes developing national road vehicle standards and post-market activities such as audits, recalls and internal quality assurance.

Charges are levied in two different ways:

- vehicle-by-vehicle, through a RAV entry charge; and
- through annual charges that apply to RAWs, AVVs and testing facilities.

Table 2: RAV entry charges, per vehicle

Vehicle type	Charge
Vehicle type approval and concessional RAV entry approval pathways (other than vehicles modified by the holder of a RAW approval)	
Passenger vehicle	\$7.20
2 or 3-wheeled vehicle	\$2.80
Goods vehicle	\$5.25

Vehicle type	Charge
Bus	\$5.25
High ATM trailer	\$3.50
Low ATM trailer	\$0.60
Vehicles modified by the holder of a RAW approval	
Passenger vehicle	\$109.00
2 or 3-wheeled vehicle	\$42.20

Approvals for RAWs, AVVs and testing facilities do not come into force until the first charge has been paid. Subsequent annual charges become due and payable on the anniversary of the first charge payment date.

Table 3: Annual charges for the granting and ongoing operation of approvals

Entity type	Charge
Registered automotive workshop (RAW)	\$970
Authorised vehicle verifier (AVV)	\$970
Testing facility	\$970

Varying an approved application

In determining whether an application fee will apply to a variation application, the department considers material changes to be those that either:

- increase or change the scope of an approval, with the exception of changes that reduce the scope of what an approval holder can do under the RVS legislation, or
- seek to remove or reduce restrictions the department has previously applied as part of an approval.

The decision notice will advise you if an application fee is payable. In cases where a fee is payable, the varied approval will not take effect or be published until the fee is paid.

Your current, unvaried approval will remain in effect until the assessment fee is paid and you are advised that the department has applied the changes to your approval.

Please note that you will be unable to request further variations to an approval while you have an unpaid application fee.

Table 4: Application fees for varying approvals

Application to vary	Fee
International whole vehicle type approval (IWVTA) based vehicle type approval	\$0
Non-IWVTA based vehicle type approval for a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – passenger vehicle – 2 or 3-wheeled vehicle – goods vehicle; or – bus 	\$140
Non-IWVTA based vehicle type approval for a high ATM trailer (with or without a Model Report)	\$85
Non-IWVTA based vehicle type approval for a low-ATM trailer	\$50

Application to vary	Fee
Concessional RAV entry approval	\$0
RAW approval	\$55
An approved Model Report that applies to a model, or one or more variants of, a:	
– specialist and enthusiast vehicle	
– used 2 or 3-wheeled vehicle	\$40
– high-ATM trailer	
– vehicle on the RAV and subject to a second stage of manufacture (SSM)	
AVV approval	\$60
Testing facility approval	\$75
Non-RAV entry import approval	\$0
Reimportation import approval	\$0
Component type approval	\$0
An approval of a Model Report	\$0

How do I pay?

Payments need to be made through ROVER.

When you submit your application ROVER will prompt you to pay via the online payment system. The department currently accepts payments via credit/debit card (Visa or MasterCard).

If no payment is made after 60 days you will be sent a reminder email. Once payment is confirmed your application will proceed to assessment and the status will be updated to 'In progress'.

Applications are not complete until the application fee has been paid and will not be considered until your payment has been received.

Further information

Detailed information regarding fees and charges, including how the amounts were determined, can be found in the [CRIS](#). For further information, please visit the department [website](#) or submit an [online enquiry](#).

Updated June 2022 – Table 3: Application fees for varying an approval added
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